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1. Several hundred unemployed Bolivian miners who were discharged recently at Catavi are now living in nearby Llallagua and Oruro. Many of them are labor agitators who participated in the recent violence at Catavi. They constitute a potential danger, and renewed violence is a distinct possibility as they are willing to cooperate with the Movimiento Nacionalista Revolucionario (MNR) and the Partido Obrero Revolucionario (POR). An atmosphere of unrest prevails at Catavi.
2. The government is taking measures to prevent the revolutionary attempt which it believes is being planned for the latter part of July or the first of August. The Chief of the National Police was due to depart on 6 July for a trip to Cochabamba, Oruro and Villazon to direct and organize police measures personally.
3. Mine labor leaders who are secretly in La Paz are reportedly planning for the new attempt to take place in the mine area and in various cities outside La Paz.
4. The two top men of the Bolivian army, General Felipe Rivera and Colonel David Terrazas, are becoming increasingly identified with the present regime, and it appears that with their support the government can withstand any direct armed attack.*
5. A new cabinet is expected prior to the opening of Congress on 6 August. Alfredo Mollinedo now expects to continue as Minister of the Interior. It is not thought that Alfredo Alexander** will continue in the cabinet beyond 6 August.

25X1A **Comment.** It is difficult to evaluate the effect mass agitation may have upon the miners (and residents of the southern part of the country but it appears that the government can control that situation for the present, since many of the key agitators have been arrested and exiled.

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